

CONCORDIA STINGERS



March 11, 2003

Stingers defeated by top-ranked Rouge et Or in cage finals

The Concordia Stingers men's basketball team suffered two tough losses to the Laval Rouge et Or last week, losing the QSSF championship and a chance to compete at the CIS national championships.

The Stingers went into the week up one game in the best-of-three Quebec university finals – a 93-90 overtime victory March 2. But Laval fought back, upsetting the Stingers 56-55 before a full house at Concordia's gym last Wednesday. Back on their home court before 2,000 vocal fans, the No. 5-ranked Rouge et Or beat the Stingers 76-56. The victory gave Laval the QSSF title and a berth at the eight-team national championship in Halifax March 14-16.

The top scorer for the Stingers was captain and point guard Phil Langlois with 14 points. Replying for Laval were Samuel Audet-Sow, 23 points, and Charles Fortier, 17 points.

It was a disappointing finish to the 2002-'03 season, but the Stingers can look back on the campaign with pride. A young team, Concordia struggled early in the year, getting off to an 0-3 start in the QSSF. After the holiday break, the Stingers went 8-4 and generated a lot of excitement on campus.

Three members of the program were Quebec conference all-stars – Langlois, Patrick Perrotte and Gavin Musgrave.

The Stingers lose only one player to graduation – fifth-year guard Gavin Musgrave. With a good returning class and the strong leadership demonstrated by captains Dan Lacasse and Langlois, the future looks bright for Concordia men's basketball.

Six Stingers to compete at women's hockey nationals

Six members of the Concordia Stingers women's hockey program will compete at the Esso Women's Hockey National Championship in Saskatoon March 12-16.

The players represent their provinces at the prestigious tournament. Team Quebec, the defending champion, will have three members of the Stingers in uniform. Left wing Lisa-Marie Breton, a former Stinger All-Canadian who is currently an assistant coach with Concordia, is the captain of Team Quebec. She's joined on the squad by right wing M.C. Allard, a 2002 and 2003 All-Canadian, and centre Dominique Rancour, who was named the outstanding forward at the 2002 Esso nationals.

Three Stingers will wear Team Nova Scotia's colors at the competition. All-Canadian defender Sue Kaye, right wing Leanne Martell and left wing Leanne McPhee will be in Saskatoon.

Quebec, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan will compete in Pool A, which means the two sets of Concordia players will face each other in the preliminary rounds. Quebec and Nova Scotia will face off on Friday, March 14.

Pool B is composed of British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, Manitoba and a host entry. Four Stinger alumni will participate on this side of the draw. Corinne Swirsky, the three-time MVP in Canadian university hockey, and Delaney Collins will represent Alberta. The Vancouver Griffins of the National Women's Hockey League will represent British Columbia. Former Concordia players Cammi Granato and Erin Leslie are members of the Griffins.

Kaye, Allard named to All-Canadian hockey team

Sue Kaye and M.C. Allard, both fifth-year seniors with the Concordia Stingers women's hockey team, were named to the CIS All-Canadian team last week at the national championship awards dinner in Regina.

Kaye, a defender from Truro, N.S., is a two time All-Canadian and a three-time Quebec conference all-star. She was one of 10 defenders invited to Team Canada's training camp in January 2003. She was also a member of the Canadian junior team in 1998-'99. With five goals and 14 assists in 26 games, Kaye is the leading scorer among defenders on the Stingers.

Allard, also a two-time All-Canadian, was named to the QSSF's first all-star team in 2001, 2002 and 2003. This year, the Quebec City native was rewarded for an outstanding season that saw her finish first in QSSF scoring with 39 points in 20 games. She also plays on the Concordia women's soccer team. She is a very skilled, high-scoring forward.

Coming Events

Saturday, March 15

Women's Soccer	@ UQTR indoor tournament
Men's Soccer	@ Université de Montréal indoor tournament

Wednesday, April 2

Concordia Athletics Awards Banquet	Info: (514) 848-3898
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Friday, April 25

Concordia Sports Hall of Fame	Info: (514) 848-3862
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Friday, June 6

Concordia Athletics Fundraising Golf Tournament	Info: (514) 848-3868
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Men's Basketball (8-7 in QSSF, 2-2 in playoffs, 15-14 overall)

QSSF final - Game 2

March 5	Laval Rouge et Or 56	Concordia Stingers 55
	Phil Langlois	16 points, 7 assists
	Gavin Musgrave	13 points, 3 rebounds

QSSF final - Game 3

March 8	Laval Rouge et Or 76	Concordia Stingers 56
	Phil Langlois	14 points, 6 steals
	Gavin Musgrave	10 points, 2 rebounds

Men's Indoor Soccer (5-0-1 in QSSF, 10-0-1 overall)

No Tournament Last Week

Women's Indoor Soccer (5-0-1 in QSSF, 8-2-1 overall)

No Tournament Last Week

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